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IN PATENT APPLICATION

As the below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled RIGID HULL INFLATABLE BOAT WITH FOAM INSERT, the specification of which was filed on January 14, 2002, as United States Patent Application No. 10/047,428.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below, and I have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: NONE.

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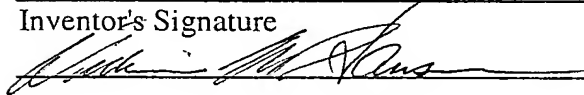
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Title: RIGID HULL INFLATABLE BOAT WITH FOAM INSERT

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101
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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action, dated May 29, 2003, set to expire on August 29, 2003, be extended by two months to expire on October 29, 2003.

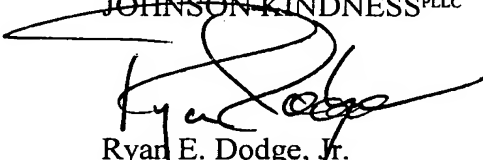
Enclosed is our check No. 151693 in the amount of:

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<u>X</u>	\$210.00 (two months)	_____	\$740.00 (four months)

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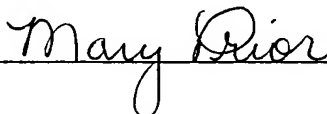
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